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**PUBLIC SERVICE** COMMISSION

Dear Sir,

My name is Roman Perry, Jr. I have been a member of the Fiscal Court in Allen County for 20+ years. I am writing in support of John Jones, a 23 year member of the Allen County Water Board. Mr. Jones has served as the chairman of the board for 22 vears.

When Mr. Jones was first appointed to the Water Board, Allen County only had water in a small area. Mr. Jones went to work, learning everything he could. He went to Columbia, KY and was able to obtain grants and loans for Allen County. Mr. Jones has worked tirelessly to improve Allen County's water system. We now have water over 90 - 95% of the county. I know Mr. Jones did not accomplish all this by himself. He has always worked with the other members of the board very effectively. The quality of life for the Allen County residents has improved by having safe water.

Last fall Mr. Jones was up for re-election. The vote was tied- 3 for and 3 against his re-election. The court could not resolve this conflict, and this matter was then turned over to the Public Service Commission to make a decision.

In early 2010, the magistrate in District #1 asked the Water Board to lay a water line and connect residents on the J.E. Carver Road in Allen County to the water system. This is a private road. Mr. Jones informed the magistrate that this could not be done as this was against the rules.

I feel that the 3 magistrates voted against Mr. Jones' re-election in retaliation. I do not think this was fair as Mr. Jones was only doing his job. When making you decision, please consider Mr. Jones' years of service to Allen County. Mr. Jones is a fine, upstanding citizen and is an asset to Allen County.

Sincerely, Roman Perry, Jr. Magistrate District #5 Allen County, KY

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